

NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
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NOTICE OF MEETING

PUBLIC BODY: **NEVADA STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE**

TODAY'S DATE: February 6, 2006

MEETING TIME: February 24, 2006 @ 8:30 am

PLACE: Washoe County Administration Offices
1001 E. Ninth Street, Building B
Conference Room A – 2nd Floor
Reno, NV 89502

Don Henderson, Director

AGENDA

The following items will be discussed and acted upon, but may be taken in different order to accommodate the interests and time limitations of persons attending:

Call to order by Chairman Benny Romero

1. **Board Business**
 - A. *Approval of minutes (Foley) **(ACTION)**
 - B. *Goals and Objectives **(INFORMATIONAL)**
 - C. Election of Officers **(ACTION)**
 - D. Special Reports **(INFORMATIONAL)**
 1. Overview and presentation on numerous ongoing planning efforts underway within the U. S. Forest Service Humboldt-Toiyable National Forest, including:
 - a. Roadless and wilderness review
 - b. Forest Transportation Plan

- c. Forest Plan revision
- d. Term grazing permit renewal under the Recission Act.

Presentation provided by Michael Hampton, Forest Planner, and Randy Sharp, Natural Resources Staff Officer, USDA Forest Service.

- 2. Program update and briefings on upcoming agricultural promotional events, including SB 1 funding grants to farmer's markets and the upcoming conference entitled : "*Nevada Grown Connection – From Farm to Market*" provided by Karen Grillo, Director of Agriculture Promotion and Marketing, Nevada Association of Counties.

2. **Director's Report** (Henderson)

- A. *Summary and overview of Department activities (**INFORMATIONAL**)
- B. Update on Department's Capitol Improvement Project for construction of a new State Headquarters building. (**INFORMATIONAL**)

3. **Division of Administration** (Gimlin) (**INFORMATIONAL**)

- A. Status of Legislative Counsel Bureau Audit
- B. Overview of 2007-2009 Biennial Budget process

4. **Division of Plant Industry** (O'Brien)

- A. *Request to conduct workshops and hearings to update quarantines in the NAC Chapter 554 including the following proposed changes: (O'Brien) (**ACTION**)
 - 1. Eliminate the Dutch Elm Disease Necrosis Quarantine due to the presence of D. E. D. in Nevada and the availability of resistant elm species.
 - 2. Update the Japanese beetle quarantine to add an infested state specifically New Mexico (Bernalillo County).
- B. *Request to go to workshops and hearings to add language NAC 587.414 to be in compliance with the U S Seed Potato Certification Program. (Cross) (**ACTION**)
- C. *Request to go to workshops and hearings to revise fees pertaining to the Organic Certification Program to cover the program costs. (Cross) (**ACTION**)
- D. *Request permission to conduct workshops and hearings to change pest control regulations in NAC Chapter 555. (O'Brien) (**ACTION**)
- E. *EPA 2006 First Quarter Report. (Moses) (**INFORMATIONAL**)

- F. *Las Vegas office report. (O'Brien) (**INFORMATIONAL**)
- 5. **Division of Animal Industry** (Rink) (**INFORMATIONAL**)
 - A. *Animal disease update
 - 1. National Animal Identification Program (NAIS) (Pecetti)
 - 2. Tuberculosis update
 - 3. Brucellosis update
 - 4. West Nile Virus update
 - 5. Proposed tritrichomonas fetus regulations (Dr. Thain – UNR Extension Veterinarian)
 - 6. Miscellaneous – Avian Influenza, BSE
- 6. **Division of Resource Protection** (Jensen)
 - A. No items
- 7. **Division of Measurement Standards** (Grabski) (**INFORMATIONAL**)
 - A. Quarterly activity report:
 - 1. Capitol Improvement Projects
 - a. Elko Branch office building
 - b. Reno headquarters office building
 - 2. Measurement Standards License and Payment Program
 - 3. Update on 38th parallel
- 8. **Division of Livestock Identification** (Connelley) (**INFORMATIONAL**)
 - A. Livestock Identification program update
 - B. *Status of proposed changes to NAC 565, (LCB File No. R213-05), NAC 573, (LCB File No. R214-05), NAC 576, (LCB File No. R215-05).
 - C. *Agroterrorism Preparedness Training
- 9. Public Comments (**INFORMATION**)
- 10. Travel Claims and Salary (**INFORMATION**)
- 11. Date of Next Meeting (**ACTION**)
- 12. Adjournment (**ACTION**)

Anyone desiring further information or explanation of the above agenda items may call Sandie Foley at (775) 688-1180 x 230 during the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

* denotes supporting documents in the board packet)

(ACTION) indicates that the Board needs to take action on an item. **(INFORMATION)** indicates an information item for the Board. Please ensure that ACTION items have accompanying information for the Board to review.

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